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ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

BASIC PROGRAMME OF WORK OF THE COUNCIL

Draft proposals submitted by the President and members of the Bureau on the basis of informal consultations held pursuant to paragraph 2 (1) of Council resolution 1988/77

DRAFT DECISION VII

Participation of non-governmental organizations at the 1996 sessions of the Commission on the Status of Women and the Commission on Social Development

The Economic and Social Council

(a) Decides to invite, on an exceptional basis and without prejudice to the outcome of the review of arrangements for consultations with non-governmental organizations currently under way, all non-governmental organizations which were accredited to participate in the Fourth World Conference on Women and the World Summit for Social Development that are not in consultative status with the Council to participate, respectively, at the fortieth session of the Commission on the Status of Women and the special session of the Commission for Social Development; those non-governmental organizations shall be accorded rights of participation equivalent to non-governmental organizations with Roster status, but this would in no way confer on those non-governmental organizations Roster or any consultative status with the Council and its subsidiary bodies;

(b) Also decides that the participation of non-governmental organizations from developing countries should be encouraged and facilitated, in particular through adequate funding from appropriate voluntary national and international sources.

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DRAFT DECISION VIII

Dates of the 1996 session of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

The Economic and Social Council decides that the 1996 session of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations, which was to have been held at Headquarters from 6 to 17 May 1996, will be held at Headquarters from 13 to 17 May 1996 and from 26 to 30 August.

DRAFT DECISION IX

New and innovative ideas for generating funds

The Economic and Social Council, taking note of the letter dated 6 February 1996 from the Acting Permanent Representative of Australia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, 1/ decides to include in the provisional agenda of its substantive session of 1996 an item entitled "New and innovative ideas for generating funds".

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